

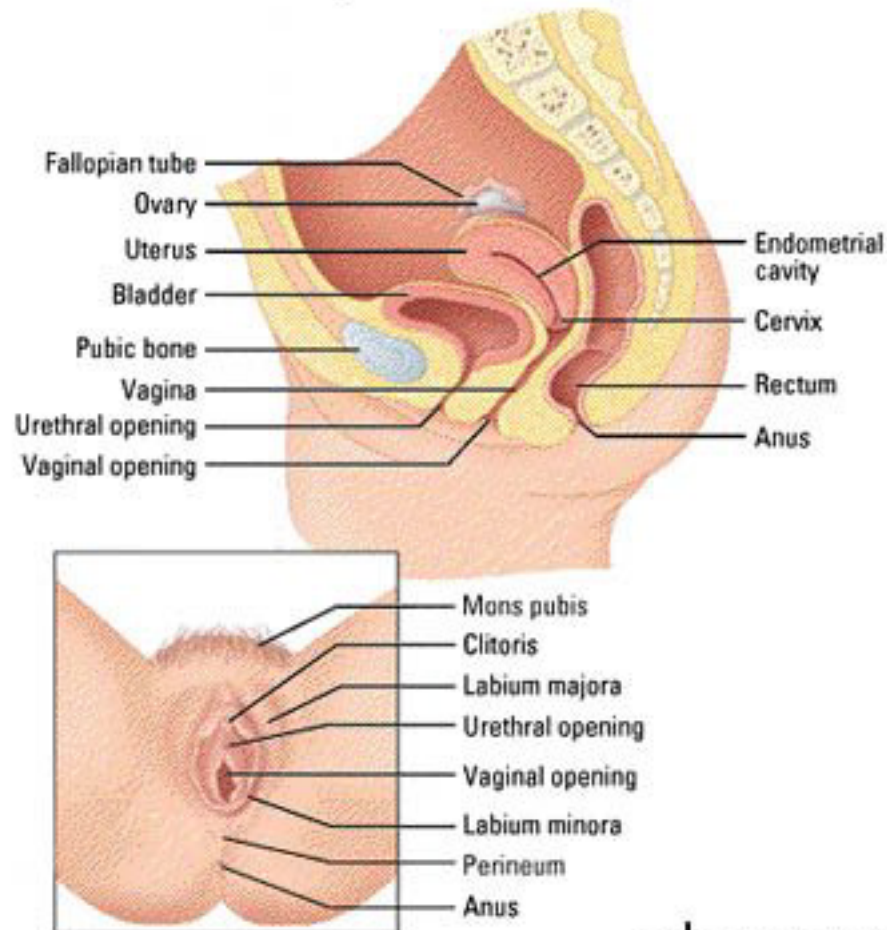
# The Utah Cancer Control Program

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**Presents:**  
Cervical Cancer

# Women's Reproductive System

Female Reproductive System



# Cervical Cancer

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- One of the most common cancers
- In 2003, the American cancer society estimates that in the U.S. There will be 12,200 new cases and 4,100 deaths from cervical cancer
- Survival for patients with pre-invasive lesions is nearly 100%

# Types of Cervical Cancer

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- Pre-cancerous conditions
- Non-invasive cervical cancer
- Invasive cervical cancer

# Signs & Symptoms

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- Abnormal vaginal bleeding
- Abnormal spotting
- Abnormal vaginal discharge
- Pain

By the time these symptoms appear it usually indicates late stage disease

# Who Is At Risk?

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All women

# Common Risk Factors for Cervical Cancer

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- Gender
- Age
- Race
- Ethnicity
- Smoking
- Multiple sex partners
- First intercourse at an early age
- HIV infection
- Genital infection with human papillomavirus (HPV)

# Do NOT Increase Risk of Cervical Cancer

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- Using tampons
- Family history of cervical cancer
- The number of pregnancies a woman has had
- Painful periods
- Diet
- Obesity
- Douching



# Preventing Cervical Cancer

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- Avoid controllable risk factors
- Get a regular pap-smear

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## Pap test

- Has been performed since the 1940's
- It is simple, inexpensive, and accurate

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The American cancer society  
recommends:

All women have yearly pap test  
Starting at age 18 or when  
They begin having sex

# Cervical Cancer in Utah

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The good news:  
Local and national mortality  
rates of cervical cancer have  
declined significantly over the  
past 25 years

# Good Sources of Information

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[Http://www.Health.State.UT.Us/cfhs/chronic/  
cancer](http://www.Health.State.UT.Us/cfhs/chronic/cancer)

[Http://www.Cancer.Org/state/UT](http://www.Cancer.Org/state/UT)

[Http://cancernet.Nci.Nih.Gov](http://cancernet.Nci.Nih.Gov)

# Screening Clinics

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- Low-cost or no cost cancer screening services are available for women who qualify
- Qualifying is simple - it is done over the telephone
- To find out more information about cancer screening program guidelines call 1-800-717-1811

# Services For Eligible Women Include:

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- A voucher for a free mammogram (value \$60 - \$180)
- Clinical breast exam
- Breast self exam instruction
- Pap test
- Pelvic exam

# Take Care Of Your Health

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Any Questions About the Services  
the Utah Cancer Control Program  
Provides:

Please Call  
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